



## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

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### Our Chaplain's Corner

**My Easter Prayer for Each of You!**  
May the celebration of resurrected life  
bring new hope to your being.  
May the victory over earthly death turn  
your eyes to the promises of heaven.  
May the empty tomb help you to leave your  
sorrows at the foot of the cross.  
So that God's hope, promises and  
forgiveness reign in your life forever.  
**Amen!**

**Wishing all our Catholic Daughters and  
your families a Blessed, Joy-filled Easter!**  
May all your endeavors as Court Ave Maria  
help to bring the joy and hope of the  
Resurrection to whom you minister!

Fr. Sean



**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON  
Thursday, April 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

### Our Guest Speaker

Mr. Tom O'Reilly will be our Guest Speaker at our Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> CDA meeting. Some of you may already be acquainted with Mr. O'Reilly. He holds a PhD in Spiritual Counseling and has given many presentations on Irish History here at St. Joseph's Parish for the past 11 years. We are very honored to have him come and discuss the relevancy and understanding of the TEN COMMANDMENTS and how they apply to us today. Don't forget our April meeting is on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> instead of Monday.



## **\*\*HOLY WEEK \*\***

Each of us during this Lenten Season was given the gift of being able to reflect upon the meaning of The Resurrection of our Lord. We have had the opportunity to take part in the Stations of The Cross, every Friday evening in Church during Lent. There have been numerous activities sponsored by the Catholic Daughters, and our Parish to enrich our faith, and open our hearts and minds to the ways of Christ. If you haven't been able to join us, it's not too late. This coming week is Holy Week. There are so many spiritual journeys for you to take part in....

**Palm Sunday: 4/14/19.** *Celebrate the Passion of Christ in the Palm Sunday gospel.* Palms will be blessed and distributed at all masses.

**Reconciliation Monday:** *The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in the Nazareth Chapel and in All Churches Monday 4/15/19 from 3:00pm – 9:00pm*

**Holy Thursday: 4/18/19** *Imagine our Lord's final meal and hearing his message...* **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in Travis Hall at 7:30pm.**

**Good Friday: 4/19/19** *The commemoration of the Passion and Death of Jesus with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.* **3:00pm and 7:30pm in St. Joseph's Church.**

**Holy Saturday: 4/20/19** *A day of quiet and reflection on His most wonderful life on earth.* **Blessing of Food 9:00am**  
**The Mass of the Easter Vigil and Reception of new Members into the Church will be celebrated at 7:30pm in St. Joseph's Church.**

**Easter Sunday: 4/21/19** *A time to Rejoice in his rising from death, to join his Father in Heaven, preparing his kingdom for us.*

**"For God Loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16**

Let us each find time to go out and spread the Good News of our Lord, just like Jesus asked his Disciples to do.  
"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few"  
Luke 10:2



## **Prayers**



### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

*Pope Francis, Our Good Bishops and Priests, especially Fr. Seán, Fr. Francis, Fr. Thomas, all our Clergy and Staff, Our Military, the many people suffering with the pains of loneliness, isolation and being ignored. The innocent born and unborn children who will suffer under the newest bill passed by the Assembly of NYS.*

For continued healing of our CDA Members:

Joann Bergin, Pam DeFord, Margaret Ann DeMarzo, Ann Dwyer, Maureen Egan, Annmarie Galante, Laura Gallagher, Pat Magnan, Ivy Murphy, Marie Pacinello, Bella Pavese, Valerie Terraciano, Toni Valentine, Lorraine Weiner, & Diane Yacenda.

For continued healing of our CDA Member's Husbands:  
Tony Geraci, Tom McCabe, Jim Pane, Jim Perillo.

✚ For the Soul of Jeff Goggin, beloved cousin in law of our dear member Jackie Goggin. Jeff was called home to the Lord on March 27, 2019. Please keep Jackie and her family in your prayers.

✚ For the Soul of Alex, nephew and godson of Member Adrienne Gatto, was killed in an auto accident in NC. Please pray for Alex's wife, Maya and his two daughters Katherine, and Elizabeth, his mother, Carol, and his 5 siblings.

✚ For the Soul of Alan Gray, beloved brother in-law of our dear Financial Secretary, Marge Duryea. Husband of Irene, Marge's sister. Alan went home to the Lord on 4/10/19.

✚ In loving memory of Evelyn Fay's beloved husband Thomas, and her beautiful daughter Veralyn, who are both now at home with the Lord .

- Member Coleen Scarlett Grady in need of prayers that her recent surgery allows her a speedy and complete recovery
- Member Mary Jane Dipaoli, for a complete and speedy recovery from her surgery. And all good results.
- Member Margaret Moran, for strength and healing.
- Member Joanne Leonardi's Sister Janet, and her husband Sean Fitzpatrick are in need of our prayers.
- Member Adrienne Gatto's friend Caroline, is now home and will start Chemo.
- Member Mary Giuglianotti, special intentions for a young boy battling a major infection
- Special intentions for a very dear young child, loved by many.
- For all our CDA friends and family members suffering and struggling with difficulties and are in need of our prayers.

"Dear Lord, wrap Your arms around our members who are hurting today, and let them feel how much You Love Them."

If you know of anyone in need of our support and prayers, please contact any of our board members or

Pat Ziegler; [pziegler@optonline.net](mailto:pziegler@optonline.net)  
for email prayer requests

### **♥ Prayers of Thanksgiving & Good News ♥**

- Pam DeFord wrote "My pathology reports from surgery came back clear. I'm cancer free!!! From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU all for your

prayers, love and support. I know God heard all your prayers and I'm so thankful to each and every one of you."

- Congratulations to Mary Hackett on the birth of her twelfth (12) Great Grandchild. Mary's granddaughter, Elizabeth, gave birth to Emily Grace on April 10, 2019 making Juliana, age 2 a Big Sister.

### ♥ Prayers of Appreciation ♥

- Very special thank you to all who cooked, baked, and came to our Parish Lenten Soup Supper. It was another wonderful success.
- Thank you, Fr. Thomas for your phenomenal presentation as our Guest Speaker at our March Meeting.
- Thank you to the many members who actually took the time and wrote letters to their legislatures on the issue of the Abortion Act. All we can do now is Pray...
- Thank you to the JCDA for presenting us with a Guided Meditation of the Stations of the Cross. What a beautiful way to prepare us for the Lenten Season.
- Thank you to Jasmine Choi for her time and effort in making Rosary Beads and selling them for a profit. With that profit, Jasmine was able to donate \$1,100.00 to our court. With this money, we forwarded it on to Smile Train. This donation was able to allow 4 children with Cleft Lip or Cleft Palates to have surgery to correct the abnormality and enable them to lead healthy normal lives.
- I want to thank all who participated in 'The 40 Days for Life', by praying, and witnessing in front of Planned Parenthood. As of this writing, 3 babies were saved at the same location. Prayers are so powerful!
- A very special Thank You goes out to Stephanie Colella and our entire Spring Tea Committee...If you weren't there, you missed an undeniably fabulous Tea Party. The food was delicious, the prizes were overflowing, the socialization was sensational, and the teamwork was terrific.
- Once again, I don't know if anyone actually realizes the amount of time, effort and work that goes into running our monthly meetings or our Fundraisers. With all of our teamwork it appears to all look so easy. I think we should all extend a **BIG THANK YOU** to all our ladies who work behind the scenes so hard to make everything run so smoothly and effortlessly, our **Hospitality**, our **Hostesses**, **Greeter**, **Those that come early and help set up**. **Those that stay late and help clean up**. **All our Committee Chairs and Committee Members**. **CDA Members**, and, of course **Our Wonderful CDA Board!** Please take the time and check out what these wonderful people do and maybe, just maybe.... You might want to get involved and see what being a Catholic Daughter is really all about. Believe me, you will get more out of this than you will ever have to put into it...

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL....



4/6 Evelyn Eustace	4/19 Patricia Steketee
4/7 Mary Kollath	4/20 Barbara Matthews
4/11 Frances Finnell	4/20 Edith Spadaccini
4/13 Fr. Thomas Tassone	4/23 Eva Normandin
4/17 Marybeth Amante	4/24 Tracey McElhone-Lee
4/17 Mary Sweeney	4/26 Mary Hackett
4/18 Jean Trojanoski	4/27 Janice Palumbo
4/19 Marie Pacinello	4/29 Denise Giglio

**Suffolk County Scholarship Luncheon,**  
Sat., September 7, 2019 12:00 noon – 4:00pm  
St. Patrick R.C. Church, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown.  
**Cost: \$20.00 per person.**  
**Reservation Deadline June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**SCSC Raffles** are on sale for only \$1.00 each 6 for \$5.00 at our meetings. Winner will be drawn at our Scholarship Luncheon September 7<sup>th</sup> 2019

**NYS CDA Giveaway Raffle Tickets** are only \$1.00 each and will be available for the last time at our April CDA meetings.

**1st prize is \$500, 2nd prize is \$300, 3rd prize is \$200.**

Winners will be drawn May 18th @ the NYS CDA Biennial Convention Appreciation Banquet. The sale of these raffles helps support the NYS CDA Charity Fund. You do not have to be there to win.

### ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

The Catholic Daughters sponsor the First Saturday's Novena to the Immaculate heart of Mary on the first Saturday of each month immediately after the 8:45 AM Mass.

**Saturday, April 20, 10:30 am – 12:30pm** The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Seyfried Council #821 will be having:

**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY**

**\$6.00 for Adults and Children ages 3 and older.**

**TRAVIS HALL FUN ACTIVITIES & GAMES..**

**CONTACT: JIM FOR TICKETS 631 656-8991**

**HELP SUPPORT THEIR SEMINARIANS....**

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY APRIL 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE**

**10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM**

In cooperation with St. Joseph's Society of St. Vincent DePaul we invite donations of canned and packaged foods. Items such as cereal, pasta, peanut butter, jelly, soup, baby food, pancake mix, tea/coffee, detergents, juice boxes, toothpaste etc. are always needed. Gift cards are always welcome. The need to support the food pantry remains an ongoing one. Donations will be collected at the Council Hall, 44 Church Street. If this is not convenient, please call Bob Normandin 631 724-1410 or Charlie Herbert 631 269-1118 to make alternate arrangements.

#### **MUSIC AT ST. JOSEPH'S :**

**NOONTIME ORGAN RECITALS**

**Wednesdays at 12:15 – 12:45 PM**

**May 1st, & June 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday, May 5, 2019 May Crowning @ 2pm** in St. Joseph's Church. Ladies, here is your chance to get involved. Be a part of the Living Rosary, Help us Honor our Blessed Mother. Contact Hilary Reilly (631) 863-0693.

#### **LOCAL COURT HAPPENINGS:**

##### **For Your Information**

**Pondering with Pat.** Pat Leonard, professor of Theology at St. John's University, will be offering an opportunity to enrich your spiritual life at **Christ the King** church on the second Thursday of each month after the 9AM Mass

- **\*St Anthony's Church**, in East Northport will be resuming a **Bible Study Class on Fridays in the** downstairs area of the church with Fr Kline, 10AM-noon, and 7:30PM-9:30PM.
- **Dynamic Catholic** is offering the program **"Find Your Greatness" In East Islip May 11<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1:30 pm.** Tickets \$25.00 each.
- **Our Lady of Victory, Court #375 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party.** On Saturday, **June 15, 2019 11AM** Mass at St. Patrick's Church, Huntington, NY Reception immediately following Mass. You will be their honored Guest! Contact Denise Giglio if you wish to go. By 4/20/19.

**If anyone has good news that they wish to share with the rest of us or wants to write an article to be published in our Newsletter, please contact Me or any member of our Board. We will make every effort to share it with our members!**

#### **National:**

##### **MARCH FOR LIFE SPEECHES PROCLAIM THE LATEST POSITIVE NEWS IN PRO-LIFE WORK:**

**MARGARET SITTE, NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE CHAIR**

##### **SIDEWALK ADVOCATES FOR LIFE** **PROVIDE TRAINING**

Former Planned Parenthood Director Abby Johnson has said that Planned Parenthood documented up to a 75% cancellation rate at facilities where people were praying and peacefully reaching out to women entering abortion facilities. Sidewalk Advocates for Life provides a simple, research-proven sidewalk advocacy program that teaches people how to effectively offer loving, life-affirming help to those pregnant mothers going for an abortion. Learn more at [SidewalkAdvocates.org](http://SidewalkAdvocates.org).

#### **State:**

##### **BEWARE: LIFE IS IN DANGER IN NEW YORK STATE!**

**EILEEN PETERSON, STATE CHAIRMAN OF LEGISLATIVE**

On January 22, the Reproductive Health Act (RHA) (Bill S.240 – Krueger / A.21 – Glick) passed both houses of the New York State Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Andrew Cuomo. The Senate voted 38-24 and the Assembly vote was 95- 49 to pass the RHA.

The official information regarding how your NYS Senator or Assemblyman voted here:

**[www.albanyupdate.com/voting- records](http://www.albanyupdate.com/voting-records)**

This legislation supports infanticide, does not protect women who are victims of domestic violence from abortion, does not protect women's health as doctors are no longer required to attend or assist during abortion and there is no protections for babies that have been born and survived an abortion.

Women of faith, we know that LIFE is a precious gift from God. We know that a state that kills its children has no future.

The RHA is the first step in making New York State the death center of the United States. There are steps being taken in the legislature to start legislation for assisted suicide. We know that a State that does not protect and love its citizens has no future.

As Catholic women, let us continue to pray for the mercy of God on our nation, State and in our communities.

*Ora et labora! First we pray—Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, Masses, Rosaries, Fasting—and then we act for the precious gift of LIFE to be protected at all stages: from the womb to the tomb!*



## NYS Legislation:

### United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Defenders of abortion will not bring the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act to a vote in the US House of Representatives. This is deeply unfair. There is one way to break the blockade.

We need your help to urge your Representative to sign a petition, beginning on April 2nd, that would allow this vote to occur

We are saddened and shocked by state legislatures proposing and even passing laws to expand abortion AND to **repeal laws providing specific protections** for babies who live through an attempted abortion.

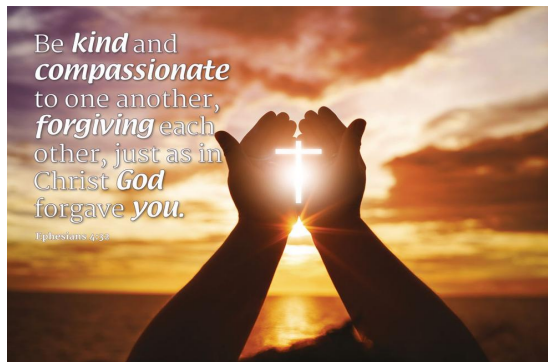
The Born-Alive Act would provide specific protections nationwide to help prevent newborns from being killed or left alone to die.

The Senate failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, but that is not the end of the story. This bill, rooted in our most fundamental human values, is worth fighting for.

Babies who survive abortion must no longer be killed or left to die. [Help us push Congress](#) to take a vote on and pass the Born-Alive Act.

## MORE INFORMATION

### *Inspirational Thought*



***'Be kind and compassionate to one another,  
forgiving each other,  
just as in Christ God forgave you.'***

### **A Little April 15<sup>th</sup> Humor**



A Dutchman was explaining the red, white and blue Netherlands flag to an American. "Our flag is symbolic of our taxes. We get red when we talk about them, we turn white when we get our tax bill, and blue after we pay them.

The American nodded,

"It's the same in the USA only we see stars too!"

## Upcoming events:

Apr 13 Fr. Thomas' Birthday 🎂

Apr 14 PALM SUNDAY

Apr 19 GOOD FRIDAY

Apr 21. EASTER SUNDAY

Apr 25. **THURSDAY...** Rosary in upstairs chapel 6:45 pm. CDA Meeting Travis Hall Doors open at 6:30pm. Meeting starts 7:30pm prompt.

May 1 First Wednesday, Movie of the Month will begin at 1:00 pm in the Centennial room with the showing of: Wonder: based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters 5th grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time.

May 5 May Crowning 2:00pm in Church please wear your sash

May 11 Fr. Francis' Birthday 🎂

May 15-19 NYS Convention

May 19 **Fr. Seán J. Gann's**  
Twenty Fifth Anniversary of  
his Ordination to the priesthood.

&  
Deacon John E. Trodden's Twenty Fifth  
Anniversary of his Ordination to the Diaconate  
Sunday, May 19, 2019  
At 12:00 Noon

For our Mass of Thanksgiving

A Musical Prelude to the Mass will begin at 11:50am

All are invited to the Parish Reception immediately  
following the Mass on the Church grounds

May 20<sup>th</sup> Rosary in upstairs chapel 6:45 pm. CDA Meeting Travis Hall Doors open at 6:30pm. Meeting starts 7:30pm prompt. Education & Scholarship Awards

May 26<sup>th</sup> Parish Picnic

May 27<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Parade

June 9<sup>th</sup> Priest Appreciation Day

June 11<sup>th</sup> St. Catherine's Nursing Home Tea

June 12 St. Johnland's Nursing Home Tea

June 17<sup>th</sup> Installation of JCDA Officers & Reception of all New CDA & JCDA Members in Church. Regular meeting and hospitality to follow in Travis Hall.

*Wishing you and your family,  
A Very Blessed Easter*

*Love ya,*

♥️ *Denise* ♥️

## Special Events for the Children on Saturday

### Join us for the Easter Egg Hunt



## Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by  
Junior Catholic Daughters

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 20th  
**WHERE:** Meet us in the church parking lot.  
**TIME:** 10:00 AM  
**FOR:** Parish Children who are in the second grade or younger.

### ... and stay for Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Sponsored by  
The Knights of Columbus Council #821

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 20th

**WHERE:** Travis Hall

**TIME:** 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

**COST:** \$6.00 for Adults and  
Children age 3 and older.  
For tickets, please contact  
Jim Sherrard at  
(631) 656-8991



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